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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

v.

RAFAEL RAMIREZ-MACIAS,

Defendant-Appellant.

No. 06-30177

D.C. No. CR-05-02108-EFS

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington Edward F. Shea, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted September 11, 2001 **

Before: PREGERSON, T. NELSON, and GRABER, Circuit Judges.

Rafael Ramirez-Macias appeals his 51-month sentence imposed following his guilty plea to being found in the United States after illegal re-entry, in

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^{**} This panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

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violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1326. We have jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1291, and we affirm.

Ramirez-Macias contends that the district court violated his constitutional rights by imposing a sentence in excess of the two-year maximum set forth in 8 U.S.C. § 1326(a) based on a prior conviction that was neither proved to a jury nor admitted during the plea colloquy. This contention is foreclosed by *United States v. Beng-Salazar*, 452 F.3d 1088, 1091 (9th Cir. 2006). Moreover, at the plea colloquy, Ramirez-Macias admitted that he had been deported on December 18, 1996, which was subsequent to his July 25, 1989 drug conviction.

AFFIRMED.